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10 April 1978

MEMORANDUM FOR: DDO/ISS/IP/EIS

FROM : Ruth Elliff
DCD/FIO/PAO

SUBJECT : House Select Committee on Assassinations Request (OLC 78-1035)

1. I have searched DCD's records on the individuals listed in subject request with the following results:

a. Carlos Quiroga - negative

b. Pedro Diaz Lanz - Two documents for your retention. Please note that the teletype of 6 February 1977 also includes the names of several other individuals of interest to the committee.

c. Roland Masferrer - File A-16-88-46 on loan and documents for retention. (Masferrer is a subject of a recent FOIA request, F-77-260.)

d. Manolo Rey - DCD case 42315 on loan (also contains references to Manuel Artime). Retention copies of additional documents also included.

e. Antonio Cuesta Valle - Documents for retention.

f. Antonio Veciana - Documents for retention (please note that the documents also contain references to Antonio Cuesta Valle).

g. Edward L. Freers - negative

h. Mrs. G. Stanley Brown - negative

i. David E. Murphy - negative

j. Aline Mosby - Documents for retention.

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k. Abraham Isaac Goldberg - One document for retention.

m. Robert J. Korengold - negative

n. Marita Lorenz - File A-20-44-72 on loan. Please note that Ms. Lorenz recently filed a request under the Privacy Act (P-77-2794).

o. Evelio Alpizar Perez - Documents for retention.

P. Antonio Soto Vazque - negative

2. With regard to the four names listed together on page two of subject memorandum, I am forwarding documents dealing with Justin McCarthy and a Robert M. Moore. It is uncertain whether or not these individuals are the ones of interest to the HSCA (our files contain references to at least 15 other individuals named Robert Moore; without considerable additional information, we cannot make any positive identification). I am forwarding, on loan, our file on Grayson Lynch (A-19-44-94). You may wish to consult with DCD later with regard to releasing this individual from his obligation of secrecy.

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27 February 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Grayston Lynch, ex-BKHERALD Staff Employee

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1. John Greaney called on 26 February to advise that in his judgment DCD's roll in this matter is finished. Greaney has sent this material to John Kennedy, NARCOG, who has advised John Werner, Drug Enforcement Agency, who will contact Lynch directly.

2. Mr. Greaney has contacted Lynch directly and notified him that Mr. Werner will be calling him. We, therefore, see no further action by DCD in this matter, and Mr. Knaysi has been so advised.

E. H. WATTS
Deputy Chief of Operations, DCD

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NFL-002-76

Chief, Domestic Collection Division
ATTN : Deputy Chief of Operations (Watts)
Chief, Miami Field Office

14 January 1976

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6. IDEN G and IDEN J impressed IDEN A with the dangerous nature of his assignment. They stressed cover as the most important consideration, and IDEN G said, "I don't want to go to any more funerals". They added that if IDEN A got into trouble, there were 150 LNCOLLAR agents in Miami who would come to his aid instantly. IDEN A was given emergency telephone numbers and code names, and was told LNCOLLAR would arrange for his airlift out (through the LNTUCK Air Station) if needed. If his LNCOLLAR affiliation was blown, IDEN G said there would be compensation provided up to US$40 thousand, as well as relocation assistance. The relocation assistance was not specified, but IDEN A assumed this meant six months living expenses and assistance in job search activities, as well as reimbursement for moving expenses. IDEN J and IDEN L, another ex-BKHERALD official, were to come to Key West one week later to brief IDEN A on the local situation. In the meantime, IDEN A was to prepare a report on what he knew about drug traffickers in the Key West area. Two weeks later, the two did appear in Key West. The little they knew about Key West drug activities was included in IDEN A's report, which also contained much additional data.

7. IDEN A subsequently set up an intelligence net, and began sending back reports. IDEN A was frequently summoned to Miami for meetings with IDEN G. Often these meetings were a waste of time, and on occasion IDEN G

would not even show up. At one point IDEN J asked IDEN A to write a paper on the capability of ex-BKHERALD assets who were drug traffickers, and who had been trained in infiltration and exfiltration, to penetrate WODUAL coastal defenses with drugs. IDEN A showed how the assets could circumvent any government effort to stop the drug traffic. The paper "scared LNCOLLAR to death," according to IDEN A. At the end of June 1974, IDEN J asked IDEN A to journey to Washington to brief top LNCOLLAR officials on his conclusions. It was to be an all expense paid trip, and IDEN A flew up and stayed one week. Total remuneration received for the journey was only US$150. During the week, IDEN A had many meetings with IDEN G and his deputy, IDEN M, a former IDEN N staff employee. IDEN G indicated at that time he was impressed with IDEN A's reports and access in Key West.

8. Later, IDEN A told IDEN G he had sent lots of reports, but there had been no arrests, and therefore no bonuses. IDEN A said he would no longer work for just US$100/week. IDEN G replied he might be able to make IDEN A a LNCOLLAR consultant to protect his retired status. He also promised IDEN A a large lobster boat (taken from those confiscated in LNCOLLAR raids), and an additional US$500/month to meet expenses and agent payoffs. IDEN G also spoke of using IDEN A in LNCOLLAR activities in Jamaica and South America. Nothing ever was forthcoming on any of these matters. During this period, IDEN A also provided LNCOLLAR (at its request) with the names of potential sources of information in the Miami area. Several persons were approached by LNCOLLAR using IDEN A's name, and a number of former BKHERALD assets were picked up in this manner. Included in this group are IDEN O, IDEN P, and IDEN Q.

9. In May 1974, IDEN F came to IDEN A at a party and, while drunk, said he had heard IDEN G wanted to recruit IDEN A for LNCOLLAR activities. In June he made similar comments while at another social gathering. IDEN A made no comment (other than requesting that IDEN F shut up). When IDEN A was recruited by IDEN G and IDEN J, they had made quite a point of saying only they would be aware of IDEN A's LNCOLLAR ties. Later in June 1974, IDEN F said he knew IDEN A was working with LNCOLLAR. In July 1974, IDEN G said he did not like having IDEN L, who was IDEN A's handling officer in Miami, dealing with him since IDEN L was known to be an LNCOLLAR officer. IDEN G wanted to have IDEN A deal directly with him in Washington, but IDEN A objected, saying the arrangement was too cumbersome. In late July, IDEN G introduced IDEN A to his new contact, IDEN I.

10. In November 1974, it became apparent the drug ring in Key West on which IDEN A's group was reporting was becoming spooked and overly cautious. Through several of his agents IDEN A learned this resulted

from a direct approach to the violators by LNCOLLAR officer IDEN E, who had come to Key West unbeknownst to IDEN A. Through friends in Miami IDEN A found out IDEN E was in charge of IDEN A's operation in Key West, had a homosexual relationship with IDEN F which went back for many years (and was responsible for the breakup of IDEN E's first marriage), had big real estate deals going in Miami, had a Swiss bank account, and was still using BKHERALD cover in Miami.

11. IDEN P, who was aware of IDEN E's LNCOLLAR connection, and two other LNCOLLAR assets in the Miami area, had agreed to assist LNCOLLAR only if LNCOLLAR officials could guarantee IDEN E would never know of their relationship or see any of their informant reports. IDEN I arranged for this through IDEN G, and the three agents' files were placed in IDEN H's safe. IDEN A subsequently has learned IDEN E routinely saw all of IDEN P's reports. Later, when the revelations in the preceding paragraph were known, IDEN I told IDEN A there were many allegations about IDEN E, and that he had mentioned this to IDEN G. IDEN G had assured him he would be brought to Washington to discuss the matter, but nothing ever came of it. Ironically, IDEN E was taken into LNCOLLAR on the orders of LNCOLLAR Director IDEN R, and it was specified that no clearance or background check would be undertaken on him.

12. IDEN I and IDEN A decided to approach IDEN F to learn more about IDEN E. During a one hour discussion, IDEN F said he had been appointed the recruiting officer within BKHERALD for persons who would go to LNCOLLAR. IDEN F said he had known IDEN E for a long period of time, and had brought him along in BKHERALD hierarchy. IDEN A believes IDEN F also engineered the absence of a security check on IDEN E by LNCOLLAR since he did not want his homosexual relationship with IDEN E revealed. At that point IDEN A called IDEN G and filled him in on what had been learned, including IDEN F's admission that IDEN E had told him IDEN A was an LNCOLLAR asset. IDEN G denied knowing IDEN F, but said he would check on IDEN E. IDEN A met with IDEN G the next day in Miami to fill him in further, and IDEN G ordered a full investigation. In the meantime, IDEN F told IDEN E of his meeting with IDEN I and IDEN A, and IDEN E wrote a memorandum saying a fellow LNCOLLAR officer (IDEN I) had over-stepped the bounds of propriety in his relationship with an LNCOLLAR asset (IDEN A), and that IDEN I and IDEN A were running an investigation on IDEN E. IDEN E described the situation as "intolerable". The LNCOLLAR inquiry, then, turned from IDEN E to improper actions by IDEN I in discussing an LNCOLLAR employee with an asset. The Internal Affairs section of LNCOLLAR did continue the IDEN E probe and concluded by May 1975 that the charges against IDEN E were accurate. In the meantime, IDEN I was interrogated by IDEN M on his relationship with IDEN A.

13. In August 1975, IDEN G informed IDEN A that control of his operation was being transferred to the Miami regional office, and that his financial relationship with LNCOLLAR would be terminated and then re-established locally following 1 September 1975. On 9 September 1975, a state-federal task force arrested 39 persons in Key West. IDEN A knew nothing about the arrests in advance. He called IDEN G to find out what was happening, and IDEN G said he also was unaware of them. He asked IDEN A to continue reporting on these developments. The next day IDEN A met with a source who told him someone had blown IDEN A's LNCOLLAR affiliation to the drug ring. He described the leak as coming from an ex-BKHERALD officer who hated IDEN A. IDEN A's source, who was in touch with drug ring members, told IDEN A the codename of his LNCOLLAR operation (IDEN S), and IDEN A learned IDEN F had spread this word all over town. IDEN A subsequently received telephone death threats (one of the ring member's girl friend called to tell him a white LNCOLLAR informant (IDEN A) would not get out of town alive). There had been eight informant deaths in Monroe County (Key West) in 1975, all unsolved murders. There was every reason, then, to take the threats seriously. IDEN A informed LNCOLLAR about the threats. LNCOLLAR replied that IDEN A was pushing the panic button, and asked for more information. IDEN A requested that the emergency evacuation apparatus be used, but LNCOLLAR refused. Finally, LNCOLLAR said "We don't know what you expect us to do since you've been terminated". IDEN A, who had been terminated by LNCOLLAR/Washington, had not been picked up subsequently by the Miami Regional Office.

14. IDEN A, desiring to keep a low profile, could not talk to many of his agents in Key West, but the few he did reach were expecting a portion of the reward money since the ring that was rolled up was one the agents had reported on for many months. IDEN A checked with LNCOLLAR on this, and was informed his net's information was not used as the basis for the arrests. IDEN A learned that IDEN F had passed the word around Key West that IDEN A was not an LNCOLLAR staff employee, which made IDEN A fair game for removal. He also learned plans had been made locally for his murder. At that point, IDEN A then made his escape with his wife. In Miami, he met with IDEN M. IDEN M claimed IDEN E had not caused any of the problems IDEN A had experienced. Concerning money assurances, IDEN M first denied any promises had been made. Later he said any that had been made (by IDEN G) were unauthorized. He reiterated IDEN A's reporting, although accurate, was not used in the arrests. LNCOLLAR agreed to provide IDEN A with US$1800 for all his problems, and raised the sum later to US$3 thousand. IDEN A accepted the money, but did not indicate he was satisfied with this sum.

15. IDEN A snuck back into Key West and packed his household goods in one evening. His boat was given to a fish supply house to sell. Since he owed the company money for supplies he had purchased, the fish house

sold the boat for a sum equal to his debts. IDEN A's wife quit her job without notice, and he estimates his actual financial losses are US$25 thousand. LNCOLLAR has indicated the US$3 thousand payment is "all IDEN A will get", and he is determined to get more.

16. IDEN A believes many of his agents think he did receive a payoff from LNCOLLAR following the arrests, and that he took all the money and ran, leaving them exposed in Key West. The cars of two of his agents were burned, and IDEN D, IDEN P, and others in the Miami area quit working for LNCOLLAR when they learned of the treatment he had received and/or received death threats themselves. IDEN T. As a result, IDEN A cannot return to Key West, and his lobster business no longer exists.

17. The purpose of IDEN A's contacting the BKHERALD is first to let us know what has happened to many of its former employees and assets. IDEN A believes BKHERALD should know of the false promises that were used to lure some BKHERALD employees to work at LNCOLLAR. As documentation, he provided IDEN I's grievance letter to LNCOLLAR which is attached* and for retention. IDEN I has, incidentally, been taken out of the Intelligence Division of LNCOLLAR and placed in enforcement work in Miami. IDEN I is currently seeking to return to BKHERALD employment, and IDEN A says IDEN I will verify his statements on the treatment of BKHERALD personnel who transferred to LNCOLLAR. (IDEN I's home phone in Miami is IDEN I.) He and the other ex-BKHERALD employees working at a lower level are fed up with LNCOLLAR, and are convinced they will never receive fair treatment in that organization. Since IDEN A believes the recruitment of BKHERALD officers to switch to LNCOLLAR will be a continuing thing, he feels we should know the realities of life in LNCOLLAR.

*[Forwarded Separately]

18. In addition, he notes LNCOLLAR is using many retired BKHERALD people and former BKHERALD assets in its activities. IDEN A believes these persons, in many instances, are being both used and abused. Any flap which occurs as a result of LNCOLLAR mismanagement will bounce back on BKHERALD, since it appears BKHERALD is involved in the LNCOLLAR operation. Indeed, IDEN G has given the impression his activities have been cleared with and approved by BKHERALD. Those assets who are being turned off by LNCOLLAR mismanagement are going to be lost to BKHERALD as well as to LNCOLLAR. Some of these persons could be significant assets in years to come.

19. A flap may not be so far off. In recent weeks IDEN U, who is writing a book about the role of the Cubans IDEN V and IDEN W in the IDEN X affair, called IDEN A and said he has information that IDEN G's wife and IDEN Y's business manager made a trip to Florida recently. Also IDEN U said he has learned that a former BKHERALD man who is a

LNCOLLAR agent is a homosexual, and that US$15 thousand in LNCOLLAR funds were given to someone in Miami to bail out a Puerto Rican drug dealer. The investigation of IDEN E by LNCOLLAR internal affairs did reveal, according to IDEN A, that US$15 thousand could not be accounted for by IDEN E, whose career appears to have been unaffected by the investigation. IDEN U, who obviously has a source within LNCOLLAR, also told IDEN A about many of the individuals (by name) in LNCOLLAR who are formerly BKHERALD employees.

20. IDEN U's information appears to be accurate, according to IDEN A, who recalls receiving a telephone call from IDEN G in July 1975. IDEN G was agitated, and asked IDEN A to handle a matter for him quickly and quietly. He said his wife, children, and the business agent of IDEN Y were in Key West, and were supposed to stay in the apartment of a retired BKHERALD employee named IDEN Z (formerly with IDEN AA). IDEN Z, a friend of IDEN F, had left the area and gave his apartment key to IDEN F. When IDEN G's wife and the others arrived in Key West, theyccould not locate IDEN F to get the key. IDEN G asked IDEN A to find out what they were doing, "and just how far my neck is stuck out". IDEN A learned they had checked into a local motel. He called IDEN G and passed on this information. IDEN G was relieved, but asked IDEN A to keep an eye on them and report their movements to him. Subsequently, while on a trip to Miami, IDEN A was approached by an LNCOLLAR officer in Internal Affairs. This individual said the episode was under active investigation, and asked IDEN A what he knew about it.

21. Finally, IDEN A is giving BKHERALD an opportunity to provide whatever advice, guidance, and assistance it wishes to furnish before he takes further action to obtain just compensation from LNCOLLAR. He is thinking in terms of possible BKHERALD intervention on his behalf with LNCOLLAR. He recognizes BKHERALD may wish to let him fend for himself. In that event, he plans to approach IDEN BB in Tampa to reveal the above story, and seek IDEN BB's assistance in petitioning LNCOLLAR for financial relief. He will not take any action with IDEN BB until he has heard from BKHERALD. Since he is anxious to get started on this matter, a speedy reply to his request for assistance will be appreciated.

22. IDEN A, incidentally, has decided to remain in Tampa, and has obtained a job as chief investigator for a local private security service. We indicated a reply would be forthcoming either through us or directly to IDEN A. His phone number is IDEN A. He resides at IDEN A.

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ATTN: DEPUTY CHIEF OF OPERATIONS (WATTS)

SUBJ: IDENTITIES IN NFL-372-76 DATED 14 JANUARY 1976 FORWARDED IN POUCH NO. 234

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IDEN A - GRAYSTON LYNCH, 3739 BAY POINT DRIVE, TAMPA, FLORIDA PHONE NUMBER: 813-884-8618

IDEN B - OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNCIL

IDEN C - GUSTAVO FERNANDEZ

IDEN D - AMADO CANTILLO A182529

IDEN E - ROBERT MEDELL

IDEN F - GEORGE BOIL (NICKNAME ''JERRY'')

IDEN G - LUCIEN CONEIN

IDEN H - BENEDICT MANDICH

IDEN I - GARY MATTOCKS, PHONE NUMBER 279-8945

IDEN J - WILLIAM LOGAY

IDEN K - DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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IDEN O - RAFAEL GARCIA

IDEN P - GONZALO HERRERA A86956

IDEN Q - JULIO PESTONIT

IDEN R - [illegible]

IDEN S - (GRAY GHOST)

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IDEN U - GEORGE CRILE

IDEN V - BERNARD L. BARKER A181871

IDEN W - EUGENIO R. MARTINEZ A181872

IDEN X - WATERGATE

IDEN Y - MADAM NHU

IDEN Z - RALPH JOHNSON A194000

IDEN AA - VNO

IDEN BB - CONGRESSMAN SAM GIBBONS E2 IMPDET CL BY 011663

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Memorandum

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DATE: 14 January 1976

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FROM : Chief, Miami Field Office

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5. IDEN G told IDEN A that he wanted the latter to work for LNCOLLAR to establish intelligence networks in the Cuban community in Key West. He said no one else could do it, and he promised to provide at the start US$100/week plus expenses plus money to pay IDEN A's agents. He said this money would not be reportable as income. When IDEN A asked about the effect of his own ex-BKHERALD status, IDEN G replied BKHERALD does not want or need to know of this arrangement. IDEN G acknowledged that US$100/week was a small payment, but said any information resulting in a seizure of drugs, the arrest of drug traffickers, or damage to drug rings will be assessed by a board within LNCOLLAR, and money (thousands of dollars) rewarded for this assistance. IDEN A would then be free to split the money with his agents. IDEN J, who was at the meeting, added that within a year IDEN A should be able to afford the best and largest lobster boat available.

6. IDEN G and IDEN J impressed IDEN A with the dangerous nature of his assignment. They stressed cover as the most important consideration, and IDEN G said, "I don't want to go to any more funerals". They added that if IDEN A got into trouble, there were 150 LNCOLLAR agents in Miami who would come to his aid instantly. IDEN A was given emergency telephone numbers and code names, and was told LNCOLLAR would arrange for his airlift out (through the LNTUCK Air Station) if needed. If his LNCOLLAR affiliation was blown, IDEN G said there would be compensation provided up to US$40 thousand, as well as relocation assistance. The relocation assistance was not specified, but IDEN A assumed this meant six months living expenses and assistance in job search activities, as well as reimbursement for moving expenses. IDEN J and IDEN L, another ex-BKHERALD official, were to come to Key West one week later to brief IDEN A on the local situation. In the meantime, IDEN A was to prepare a report on what he knew about drug traffickers in the Key West area. Two weeks later, the two did appear in Key West. The little they knew about Key West drug activities was included in IDEN A's report, which also contained much additional data.

7. IDEN A subsequently set up an intelligence net, and began sending back reports. IDEN A was frequently summoned to Miami for meetings with IDEN G. Often these meetings were a waste of time, and on occasion IDEN G

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would not even show up. At one point IDEN J asked IDEN A to write a paper on the capability of ex-BKHERALD assets who were drug traffickers, and who had been trained in infiltration and exfiltration, to penetrate WODUAL coastal defenses with drugs. IDEN A showed how the assets could circumvent any government effort to stop the drug traffic. The paper "scared LNCOLLAR to death," according to IDEN A. At the end of June 1974, IDEN J asked IDEN A to journey to Washington to brief top LNCOLLAR officials on his conclusions. It was to be an all expense paid trip, and IDEN A flew up and stayed one week. Total remuneration received for the journey was only US$150. During the week, IDEN A had many meetings with IDEN G and his deputy, IDEN M, a former IDEN N staff employee. IDEN G indicated at that time he was impressed with IDEN A's reports and access in Key West.

8. Later, IDEN A told IDEN G he had sent lots of reports, but there had been no arrests, and therefore no bonuses. IDEN A said he would no longer work for just US$100/week. IDEN G replied he might be able to make IDEN A a LNCOLLAR consultant to protect his retired status. He also promised IDEN A a large lobster boat (taken from those confiscated in LNCOLLAR raids), and an additional US$500/month to meet expenses and agent payoffs. IDEN G also spoke of using IDEN A in LNCOLLAR activities in Jamaica and South America. Nothing ever was forthcoming on any of these matters. During this period, IDEN A also provided LNCOLLAR (at its request) with the names of potential sources of information in the Miami area. Several persons were approached by LNCOLLAR using IDEN A's name, and a number of former BKHERALD assets were picked up in this manner. Included in this group are IDEN O, IDEN P, and IDEN Q.

9. In May 1974, IDEN F came to IDEN A at a party and, while drunk, said he had heard IDEN G wanted to recruit IDEN A for LNCOLLAR activities. In June he made similar comments while at another social gathering. IDEN A made no comment (other than requesting that IDEN F shut up). When IDEN A was recruited by IDEN G and IDEN J, they had made quite a point of saying only they would be aware of IDEN A's LNCOLLAR ties. Later in June 1974, IDEN F said he knew IDEN A was working with LNCOLLAR. In July 1974, IDEN G said he did not like having IDEN L, who was IDEN A's handling officer in Miami, dealing with him since IDEN L was known to be an LNCOLLAR officer. IDEN G wanted to have IDEN A deal directly with him in Washington, but IDEN A objected, saying the arrangement was too cumbersome. In late July, IDEN G introduced IDEN A to his new contact, IDEN I.

10. In November 1974, it became apparent the drug ring in Key West on which IDEN A's group was reporting was becoming spooked and overly cautious. Through several of his agents IDEN A learned this resulted

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from a direct approach to the violators by LNCOLLAR officer IDEN E, who had come to Key West unbeknownst to IDEN A. Through friends in Miami, IDEN A found out IDEN E was in charge of IDEN A's operation in Key West, had a homosexual relationship with IDEN F which went back for many years (and was responsible for the breakup of IDEN E's first marriage), had big real estate deals going in Miami, had a Swiss bank account, and was still using BKHERALD cover in Miami.

11. IDEN P, who was aware of IDEN E's LNCOLLAR connection, and two other LNCOLLAR assets in the Miami area, had agreed to assist LNCOLLAR only if LNCOLLAR officials could guarantee IDEN E would never know of their relationship or see any of their informant reports. IDEN I arranged for this through IDEN G, and the three agents' files were placed in IDEN M's safe. IDEN A subsequently has learned IDEN E routinely saw all of IDEN P's reports. Later, when the revelations in the preceding paragraph were known, IDEN I told IDEN A there were many allegations about IDEN E, and that he had mentioned this to IDEN G. IDEN G had assured him he would be brought to Washington to discuss the matter, but nothing ever came of it. Ironically, IDEN E was taken into LNCOLLAR on the orders of LNCOLLAR Director IDEN R, and it was specified that no clearance or background check would be undertaken on him.

12. IDEN I and IDEN A decided to approach IDEN F to learn more about IDEN E. During a one hour discussion, IDEN F said he had been appointed the recruiting officer within BKHERALD for persons who would go to LNCOLLAR. IDEN F said he had known IDEN E for a long period of time, and had brought him along in BKHERALD hierarchy. IDEN A believes IDEN F also engineered the absence of a security check on IDEN E by LNCOLLAR since he did not want his homosexual relationship with IDEN E revealed. At that point IDEN A called IDEN G and filled him in on what had been learned, including IDEN F's admission that IDEN E had told him IDEN A was an LNCOLLAR asset. IDEN G denied knowing IDEN F, but said he would check on IDEN E. IDEN A met with IDEN G the next day in Miami to fill him in further, and IDEN G ordered a full investigation. In the meantime, IDEN F told IDEN E of his meeting with IDEN I and IDEN A, and IDEN E wrote a memorandum saying a fellow LNCOLLAR officer (IDEN I) had overstepped the bounds of propriety in his relationship with an LNCOLLAR asset (IDEN A), and that IDEN I and IDEN A were running an investigation on IDEN E. IDEN E described the situation as "intolerable". The LNCOLLAR inquiry, then, turned from IDEN E to improper actions by IDEN I in discussing an LNCOLLAR employee with an asset. The Internal Affairs section of LNCOLLAR did continue the IDEN E probe and concluded by May 1975 that the charges against IDEN E were accurate. In the meantime, IDEN I was interrogated by IDEN M on his relationship with IDEN A.

13. In August 1975, IDEN G informed IDEN A that control of his operation was being transferred to the Miami regional office, and that his financial relationship with LNCOLLAR would be terminated and then re-established locally following 1 September 1975. On 9 September 1975, a state-federal task force arrested 39 persons in Key West. IDEN A knew nothing about the arrests in advance. He called IDEN G to find out what was happening, and IDEN G said he also was unaware of them. He asked IDEN A to continue reporting on these developments. The next day IDEN A met with a source who told him someone had blown IDEN A's LNCOLLAR affiliation to the drug ring. He described the leak as coming from an ex-BKHERALD officer who hated IDEN A. IDEN A's source, who was in touch with drug ring members, told IDEN A the codename of his LNCOLLAR operation (IDEN S), and IDEN A learned IDEN F had spread this word all over town. IDEN A subsequently received telephone death threats (one of the ring member's girl friend called to tell him a white LNCOLLAR informant (IDEN A) would not get out of town alive). There had been eight informant deaths in Monroe County (Key West) in 1975, all unsolved murders. There was every reason, then, to take the threats seriously. IDEN A informed LNCOLLAR about the threats. LNCOLLAR replied that IDEN A was pushing the panic button, and asked for more information. IDEN A requested that the emergency evacuation apparatus be used, but LNCOLLAR refused. Finally, LNCOLLAR said "We don't know what you expect us to do since you've been terminated". IDEN A, who had been terminated by LNCOLLAR/Washington, had not been picked up subsequently by the Miami Regional Office.

14. IDEN A, desiring to keep a low profile, could not talk to many of his agents in Key West, but the few he did reach were expecting a portion of the reward money since the ring that was rolled up was one the agents had reported on for many months. IDEN A checked with LNCOLLAR on this, and was informed his net's information was not used as the basis for the arrests. IDEN A learned that IDEN F had passed the word around Key West that IDEN A was not an LNCOLLAR staff employee, which made IDEN A fair game for removal. He also learned plans had been made locally for his murder. At that point, IDEN A then made his escape with his wife. In Miami, he met with IDEN M. IDEN M claimed IDEN E had not caused any of the problems IDEN A had experienced. Concerning money assurances, IDEN M first denied any promises had been made. Later he said any that had been made (by IDEN G) were unauthorized. He reiterated IDEN A's reporting, although accurate, was not used in the arrests. LNCOLLAR agreed to provide IDEN A with US$1800 for all his problems, and raised the sum later to US$3 thousand. IDEN A accepted the money, but did not indicate he was satisfied with this sum.

15. IDEN A snuck back into Key West and packed his household goods in one evening. His boat was given to a fish supply house to sell. Since he owed the company money for supplies he had purchased, the fish house

sold the boat for a sum equal to his debts. IDEN A's wife quit her job without notice, and he estimates his actual financial losses are US$25 thousand. LNCOLLAR has indicated the US$3 thousand payment is "all IDEN A will get", and he is determined to get more.

16. IDEN A believes many of his agents think he did receive a payoff from LNCOLLAR following the arrests, and that he took all the money and ran, leaving them exposed in Key West. The cars of two of his agents were burned, and IDEN D, IDEN F, and others in the Miami area quit working for LNCOLLAR when they learned of the treatment he had received and/or received death threats themselves. IDEN T. As a result, IDEN A cannot return to Key West, and his lobster business no longer exists.

17. The purpose of IDEN A's contacting the BKHERALD is first to let us know what has happened to many of its former employees and assets. IDEN A believes BKHERALD should know of the false promises that were used to lure some BKHERALD employees to work at LNCOLLAR. As documentation, he provided IDEN I's grievance letter to LNCOLLAR which is attached* and for retention. IDEN I has, incidentally, been taken out of the Intelligence Division of LNCOLLAR and placed in enforcement work in Miami. IDEN I is currently seeking to return to BKHERALD employment, and IDEN A says IDEN I will verify his statements on the treatment of BKHERALD personnel who transferred to LNCOLLAR. (IDEN I's home phone in Miami is IDEN I.) He and the other ex-BKHERALD employees working at a lower level are fed up with LNCOLLAR, and are convinced they will never receive fair treatment in that organization. Since IDEN A believes the recruitment of BKHERALD officers to switch to LNCOLLAR will be a continuing thing, he feels we should know the realities of life in LNCOLLAR.

*[Forwarded Separately]

18. In addition, he notes LNCOLLAR is using many retired BKHERALD people and former BKHERALD assets in its activities. IDEN A believes these persons, in many instances, are being both used and abused. Any flap which occurs as a result of LNCOLLAR mismanagement will bounce back on BKHERALD, since it appears BKHERALD is involved in the LNCOLLAR operation. Indeed, IDEN G has given the impression his activities have been cleared with and approved by BKHERALD. Those assets who are being turned off by LNCOLLAR mismanagement are going to be lost to BKHERALD as well as to LNCOLLAR. Some of these persons could be significant assets in years to come.

19. A flap may not be so far off. In recent weeks IDEN U, who is writing a book about the role of the Cubans IDEN V and IDEN W in the IDEN X affair, called IDEN A and said he has information that IDEN G's wife and IDEN Y's business manager made a trip to Florida recently. Also IDEN U said he has learned that a former BKHERALD man who is a

LNCOLLAR agent is a homosexual, and that US$.5 thousand in LNCOLLAR
funds were given to someone in Miami to pay out a [illegible] drug
dealer. The investigation of IDEN E by LNCOLLAR internal affairs did
reveal, according to IDEN A, that US$15 thousand could not be accounted
for by IDEN E, whose career appears to have been unaffected by the
investigation. IDEN U, who obviously has a source within LNCOLLAR, also
told IDEN A about many of the individuals (by name) in LNCOLLAR who are
formerly BEHRFALD employees.

20. IDEN U's information appears to be accurate, according to IDEN A,
who recalls receiving a telephone call from IDEN G in July 1975. IDEN G
was agitated, and asked IDEN A to handle a matter for him quickly and
quietly. He said his wife, children, and the business agent of IDEN Y
were in Key West, and were supposed to stay in the apartment of a retired
BEHRFALD employee named IDEN Z (formerly with IDEN AA). IDEN Z, a friend
of IDEN F, had left the area and gave his apartment key to IDEN F. When
IDEN G's wife and the others arrived in Key West, they could not locate
IDEN F to get the key. IDEN G asked IDEN A to find out what they were
doing, "and just how far my neck is stuck out". IDEN A learned they had
checked into a local motel. He called IDEN G and passed on this information.
IDEN G was relieved, but asked IDEN A to keep an eye on them and report
their movements to him. Subsequently, while on a trip to Miami, IDEN A
was approached by an LNCOLLAR officer in Internal Affairs. This individual
said the episode was under active investigation, and asked IDEN A what
he knew about it.

21. Finally, IDEN A is giving BEHRFALD an opportunity to provide
whatever advice, guidance, and assistance it wishes to furnish before
he takes further action to obtain just compensation from LNCOLLAR. He
is thinking in terms of possible BEHRFALD intervention on his behalf
with LNCOLLAR. He recognizes BEHRFALD may wish to let him [illegible] for
himself. In that event, he plans to approach IDEN BB in Tampa to reveal
the above story, and seek IDEN BB's assistance in petitioning LNCOLLAR
for financial relief. He will not take any action with IDEN BB until
he has heard from BEHRFALD. Since he is anxious to get [illegible] on
this matter, a speedy reply to his request for assistance will be
appreciated.

22. IDEN A, incidentally, has decided to remain in Tampa, and has
[illegible], a job as chief investigator for a local private [illegible]
[illegible] We indicated a reply would be forthcoming [illegible]
[illegible] of [illegible] to IDEN A. His phone number is IDEN A. [illegible] of IDEN A.

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Separate Cover Attachment to Follow

SEPARATE COVER ATTACHMENT TO: NFD-002-76
[The "Informal Grievance" was written by IDEN I]

SUBJECT: Informal Grievance

1. This written informal grievance is being submitted in order that it may be passed to higher authority for resolution. It is anticipated that final action will be required by top echelon DEA officials in order to satisfactorily resolve all or part of the issues.

2. I wish to file a grievance on the following subjects which constitute commitments made to me by representatives of DEA at the time of my recruitment from CIA into the DEA Narcotics Intelligence Division.

a. I was specifically told by DEA representatives at the time of my initial recruitment interviews that the retirement plans were the same in both agencies and that my previous time in government would transfer with me with no break in service. I am now informed that my previous service will not count toward retirement under section 8336(c), title 5, USC Law Enforcement Retirement. This leaves me with no chance to accumulate the required time for retirement.

b. I was told by the DEA representatives that in order to expedite my transfer from CIA it would be necessary to bring me on duty in schedule "A" status, however, action would be initiated shortly after my EOD to place me in competitive career status. I have now been on duty with DEA for two years and three months, and I am still on schedule "A" status.

c. As a recruitment enticement the DEA representatives stated to me that after two years of satisfactory service with DEA I would be a grade GS-13. No promotion is forthcoming after 27 months of satisfactory service.

d. DEA representatives stated to me that I would be coming to DEA as part of the "ground floor" personnel of trained and experienced intelligence officers to staff the newly formed intelligence division of DEA and that I could expect rapid upward movement on the career ladder. At this point there is no apparent intelligence career ladder in DEA

3. The minimum action that would satisfy my grievance is complete fulfillment of items a-d above. DEA should take whatever action necessary to credit my previous service for retirement under 8336(c), and career status should be established with the CSC. If DEA cannot fulfill the commitments made to me when it's representatives recruited me from CIA in 1973, then the highest echelons of the Justice Department should expedite my transfer back to CIA as soon as possible.

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ATTN: DEPUTY CHIEF OF OPERATIONS (WATTS)

SUBJ: IDENTITIES IN MFL-202-76 DATED 14 JANUARY 1976 FORWARDED IN POUCH NO. 234

IDEN A - GRAYSTON LYNCH, [illegible] BAY POINT DRIVE, TAMPA, FLORIDA PHONE NUMBER: 813-[illegible]-8618

IDEN B - OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNCIL

IDEN C - GUSTAVO FERNANDEZ

IDEN D - AMADO CANTILLO

IDEN E - ROBERT MEDELL

IDEN F - GEORGE SOHL (NICKNAME "JERRY")

IDEN G - LUCIEN CONIEN

IDEN H - BENEDICT MANDICH

IDEN I - GARY MATTOCKS, PHONE NUMBER 279-0945

IDEN J - WILLIAM LOGAY

IDEN K - DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

IDEN L - MIKE BRUM

IDEN M - BUD FRANKS

IDEN N - BUREAU OF NARCOTICS

IDEN O - RAFAEL GARCIA

IDEN P - GONZALO H[illegible]

IDEN Q - JU[illegible] PEST[illegible]I

IDEN R - ING[illegible]L

JAN 16 [illegible] '76

IDEN S - (GRAY GHOST)

IDEN T - THE DRUG RING THAT WAS ROLLED UP WAS A MULTI-MILLION DOLLAR OPERATION. THE GROUP HAD A COUNTER-INTELLIGENCE BUDGET OF ABOUT US$ONE MILLION ANNUALLY, AND INCLUDED (EITHER AS ACTIVE RING MEMBERS OR WITTING OF ITS ACTIVITIES) THE SON OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE IN KEY WEST, THE STATE'S ATTORNEY, THE SHERIFF AND CHIEF OF POLICE, THREE MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL, THE ENTIRE POLICE DEPARTMENT, OVER HALF OF THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, THE FIRE CHIEF, AND VARIOUS CITY AND COUNTY OFFICIALS. THE RING ALSO RAN THE PROSTITUTION, NUMBERS, AND THEFT RINGS IN THE AREA. WHILE SOME OF THESE PERSONS WERE ARRESTED (THE FIRE CHIEF, FOR ONE), OTHERS WERE NOT, AND ALL ARE FREE ON BAIL AT THIS TIME.

IDEN U - GEORGE CRILE

IDEN V - BERNARD L. BARKER

IDEN W - EUGENIO R. MARTINEZ

IDEN X - WATERGATE

IDEN Y - MADAM NHU

IDEN Z - RALPH JOHNSON

IDEN AA - VNO

IDEN BB - CONGRESSMAN SAM GIBBONS E2 IMPDET CL BY 011663

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NFL-003-76

Chief, Domestic Collection Division 13 January 1976
ATTN : Deputy Chief of Operations (Watts)

Chief, Miami Field Office

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Publication of Items Relating to Cuban Operations

1. We met with Grayston Lynch, a retired Agency staff employee, on 7 January 1976 at his home in Tampa, Florida. Lynch had requested the meeting through contact with OGC. One item of interest to Lynch concerns a book he wishes to write on Cuban operations during the period 1961-67. Lynch currently is in the process of preparing one book (on the Bay of Pigs) for publication. Recently, however, he spoke with George Crile, who is writing a book on Watergate burglars Eugenio Martinez and Bernard Barker. Crile indicated he and co-author Taylor Branch plan to follow that book with one on the Agency's Cuban operations, and focus on Lynch and William Robertson, two major figures in the Bay of Pigs invasion. Since Martinez was deeply involved with Lynch as a ship captain during the Bay of Pigs and in subsequent operations against Cuba, he will be the primary source for the book.

2. Lynch believes the story Martinez will provide will be somewhat inaccurate because he only saw developments from the vantage point of a ship captain. Lynch (whose cohort Robertson is deceased) believes only he can provide an accurate recounting. The Martinez book is scheduled for printing in the summer of 1976. Lynch would like to beat Crile and Branch to the punch. Indeed, he believes they will not publish their book if they know he is going to publish one on the same subject. What Lynch wishes is an indication of general Agency reaction to any manuscript he might write on the period.

3. Lynch wishes to write about the operations of the AMLILAC group (Commandos Mombisei) during the period 1961-67, when Lynch conducted about 100 infiltration and exfiltration operations in Cuba. Any manuscript he drafts will, of course, be submitted to the Agency for review. He does not wish to get into the writing job, however, if there is a blanket prohibition on describing Agency operations which occurred in that period and place. He notes that Martinez, not fettered by Agency restrictions, will provide Crile and Branch with his recollections. Lynch believes he can cover the material in a way which will not hurt anyone or expose anything. He had no intentions of getting into the commando raid recounting business until he heard from Crile recently.

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4. Since time is important on this matter, Lynch shall appreciate a fairly quick response on this question. He recognizes no final decision on his manuscript can be made until Agency officials review it. At the same time, however, it may not be too difficult to ascertain the presence or absence of a blanket restriction on writing about this era.

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ATTN: DEPUTY CHIEF OF OPERATIONS (WATTS)

FROM: CHIEF, MIAMI FIELD OFFICE

SUBJ: GRAYSTON LYNCH, TAMPA, FLORIDA

REF : TELECON OF MAINWARING/WATTS, 16 DECEMBER 1975, SAME SUBJECT

I TALKED WITH SUBJECT BY TELEPHONE THIS AFTERNOON. HE WILL BE INTERVIEWED IN THE VERY NEAR FUTURE AND WE WILL PROVIDE YOU WITH A FULL REPORT. E2 IMPDET CL BY 011668

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DIARY, 16 December 1975

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1. John Greaney, OGC, called this date to advise that ex-CIA employee (now retired) Grayston Lynch told John over the telephone that he wants to consult with a CIA officer on some undefined problems concerning other ex-CIA employees. It seems that Lynch, who was involved in the Bay of Pigs operation and is an open protagonist of CIA, is writing a book. He is in contact with Greaney with respect to OGC's need to review the book before it is published.

2. Greaney, who believes that Lynch may be connected with Dave Philips' Ex-CIA Employees Association, asked if we could have a DCD officer from the Miami Field Office visit Lynch in Tampa, where he is now living, and listen to his story. Greaney attached some importance and urgency to his request and indicated that it would be advantageous for the Agency to remain on good terms with Lynch.

3. I told him I would pass his request on to higher DCD authority and let him know what is decided. Lynch's address is: 8709 Bay Point Drive, Tampa, Florida, telephone: 813-884-8610.

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THIS IS UNEVALUATED INFORMATION

SOURCE US citizen, a former professional intelligence officer. He received this information from a long time acquaintance who was invited to participate in the project discussed in this report.

1. An individual described as chief pilot to Zaire President Sese Seko Mobuto has been attempting to recruit pilots and ground crews from among Cuban exile groups to counter invading forces. Especially desired are members of the former Cuban Congo brigade.

2. Active in this project is an individual named Rene Garcia.

3. According to prospective participants, two qualified pilots may have recently left for South Africa, presumably in connection with this project.

4. Zaire is also seeking to purchase skyraider aircraft.

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SUBJECT AND AREA
Eulugio Cantillo/Claim of High Quality Uranium Deposits in Cuban Mine

(Cuba)

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2. TOO GENERAL
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5. COMBINED WITH
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METHOD OF COLLECTION

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FIELD COMMENTS

We decided OO-A(S) would be the most appropriate format for this information since AKULE has (according to Source) had a long relationship with the general. Any follow-up request for verification would likely go through that route. Source has not previously passed the information to an Agency representative.

HEADQUARTERS COMMENTS

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DOMESTIC COLLECTION DIVISION OPERATIONAL INFORMATION REPORT

This report is believed to contain information of operational interest and may not be disclosed to personnel outside the Directorate of Operations without the prior permission of the Domestic Collection Division.

US citizen, individual with longtime relationship with Eulugio Cantillo. Source is a retired Agency staff employee.

1. Eulugio Cantillo, a Cuban national who resides at 6791 S.W. 2nd Street, Miami, Florida, is a former Cuban general. In 1956, when he was the Chief of the Cuban Air Force under Cuban dictator Batista, Cantillo's uncle came to him with an ore sample the uncle had uncovered in an abandoned former Spanish mine in Cuba. The uncle suspected the ore was uranium. Cantillo brought the specimen to the US, where it was assayed by an unnamed US survey company as being the richest uranium sample the firm had ever tested. Cantillo and the uncle, who were the only individuals aware of the location of the mine, recognized archaic Cuban laws did not protect their find, so the general attempted to get Batista to change the mining statutes. Batista suspected the general had come across something significant, andhhe sent a team of men to the Pinar del Rio area for six months on a search. The team uncovered nothing. Batista also tried to work out a deal where he would be a partner in the venture as a pre-condition to changing the mining laws. He was unsuccessful in convincing Cantillo to permit him to become a partner. At that time, the revolution reached full intensity, and Batista left the country.

2. Cantillo's uncle is still in Cuba. Despite Cantillo's imprisonment by the Fidel Castro regime for nine years, he has never told anyone about his uncle's find. Approximately one year ago, Cantillo approached a retired Agency staff employee and informed him of the uncle's find. He did so after all these years because of the developing relations between the US and Cuba. Cantillo feels the US may be able to make use of information that Castro does not possess about the riches that exist in his own nation, and that Castro and the USSR would capitalize on the find if they were to become aware of it. In his view, the US should know of this potential before it conducts negotiations with Castro. The general is willing to provide the name of the assay company, so that documentation can be obtained on the purity of the uranium.

3. The general's US contact notes Cantillo is not the sort of man who speaks inaccurately about things such as this. He described Cantillo as a "solid guy", and says the information Cantillo has provided probably is reliable.

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